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GLADIOLUS BULBS

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Foreword



IN preparing this catalogue we have taken great care to list only those varieties of Gladioli that we know to be worthy of your attention. To be sure, what others may say regarding this or that variety must be considered. The best test, however, is: "How do they grow in your own garden?"

Great care should be taken in selecting rare and expensive bulbs so that you will not be disappointed. Often the most expensive bulbs do not bring forth more pleasing flowers than are grown from bulbs of moderate price.

On account of its good keeping qualities the Gladiolus surpasses all other flowers for cutting purposes. Cut the spikes when the first buds open and place them in vases in the house. Change the water daily, remove the withered portions, cut an inch or so from the stem and every bud will open one by one to the very top. A vase of blooms may be kept fresh and beautiful for a week or more.

If you have never grown "FARNSWORTH'S GLADIOLUS BULBS" you have missed something that would have given you real pleasure. Our bulbs are grown on light, sandy loam, where there is plenty of moisture to produce bulbs of unusual blooming power. We have a modern storehouse and equipment so that our bulbs are stored at just the right temperature to adapt them for forcing as well as outdoor planting.





CULTURAL DIRECTIONS

The Gladiolus is a flower of easy culture and does well in any soil, but should be planted in full exposure to the sun. Bulbs should be planted from 4 to 6 inches deep, and 3 to 4 inches apart. They may be set out as soon as the frost is out of the ground, and until about June 1st.

The more the soil is worked and fertilized the better the result will be. If stable manure is to be used, it should be spaded in in the Fall previous to Spring planting. Good results are obtained from the use of commercial fertilizer applied at the time of planting.

Unless the soil is very light and sandy, or the season is abnormally dry, good results should be forthcoming without watering. If watering is done, it should be in the evenings only, and the ground should be thoroughly drenched.

When cutting the flowers, care must be taken not to lift, or disturb the bulbs. Cut the flowers as soon as the first bud has entirely opened; leaving at least four leaves on the stem of the plant to help mature the bulb.

Bulbs may be dug as soon as the foliage begins to turn brown, or after a frost has stopped the growth. Cut the stems off close to the bulb, and place them where they will have plenty of air to dry, preferably in a shady place. When thoroughly dry the old bulb and roots may be removed easily. Store in a cool, dry place where they will be safe from frost.

ORDERING

To give entire satisfaction, let us suggest early ordering. The stock of choice varieties is often limited, and cheaper varieties are in great demand.

Prices quoted are for clean, mature stock of sufficient size to produce good blooms. It is not always the large bulbs that produce the best flowers. Some varieties even produce the best flowers from small bulbs.

Every effort is made to keep the stock true to name. Any bulbs not proving satisfactory in this respect will be replaced free of charge. For the prices quoted, bulbs will be shipped PREPAID PARCEL POST to all points in the U. S. A. and CANADA. One-half dozen furnished at the dozen rate.

Orders for less than one dollar cannot be accepted.

Remittance should be sent with orders, or before shipment is made.

Prices will be furnished on application to customers desiring to purchase large quantities, planting stock, or bulblets of any of the varieties listed.



GLADIOLUS BLOOMS

During the blooming season we are in position to supply cut flowers in large or small quantities for decorations or commercial use. Prices will be furnished on application.



AMERICAN GLADIOLUS SOCIETY

This society now has a membership of about 2,500. The society issues a monthly "BULLETIN" devoted exclusively to Gladioli. Anyone is eligible to membership and the members have the privilege of asking any questions they wish about Gladioli, and they will be answered through the columns of the "BULLETIN." The "BULLETIN" one year and membership is \$2.00. Send application to John C. Davis, Secretary, 77 South Ave., Rochester, N. Y.





List of Varieties

	Each	Doz.
America (Banning). Delicate lavender-pink; large, wide open flowers. One of the most popular Gladioli.....	\$0.05	\$0.50
American Beauty (Diener). "American Beauty" Rose color, with creamy yellow throat. Tall, strong grower and many flowers open at one time.....	.50	5.00
Amethyst (Stewart). Deep amethyst color, slightly suffused with rose. Many flowers open at one time. A strong grower.....	.15	1.50
Anna Eberius (Diener). Dark velvety-purple; throat deeper; large flowers.....	.20	2.00
Avalon (Kunderd). Ruffled; a very choice, blush white.....	.35	3.50
Baron Jos. Hulot (Lemoine). Deep violet-blue; one of the finest blue Gladioli.....	.10	1.00

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Byron L. Smith (Kunderd). Most refined lavender-pink on a white ground. Fine as a cut flower. Color equal to a fine Cattleya Orchid.	\$0.25	\$2.50
Carmen Sylva (Prestgard). Snow-white; throat slightly penciled lilac. Stem tall, slender and wiry. . . . .	.25	2.50
Chicago White (Kunderd). White with lavender markings in throat; very early. . . . .	.05	.50
Chris (Grullemans). Maroon-red, purplish shaded. . . . .	.15	1.50
Crackerjack (Cowee). Rich dark red, throat spotted with yellow and dark maroon. . . . .	.05	.50
Crimson Glow (Betscher). Deep brilliant crimson, overlaid with darker shades. Lower petals blotched with deep, velvety crimson . . . . .	.25	2.50
Dawn (Tracy). Coral-pink, with a lighter throat stained claret. . . . .	.10	1.00
Early Pendleton (Kunderd). Much like "Mrs. Frank Pendleton." Earlier and more blossoms open at one time. . . . .	.30	3.00
E. J. Shaylor (Kunderd). Deep rose-pink; large, ruffled flower. . . . .	.10	1.00
Elizabeth Tabor (Hinkle). Petals are delicate rosy-pink on white ground, lower ones bearing a rich, dark crimson blotch which terminates in a diamond of soft yellow. Tall grower with large flowers. Early.	1.00	10.00
Empress of India (Velthuys). A rich dark red shading maroon. Not a tall grower. . . . .	.07	.70
Evelyn Kirtland (Austin). An exquisite shade of melting pink deepening towards the edge; brilliant scarlet blotches on lower petals. A tall grower. . . . .	.15	1.50
Flora (Velthuys). Beautiful canary-yellow with scarcely any markings. A tall and strong grower. . . . .	.10	1.00
Gen. Pershing (Kirchhoff). Large flowers. Upper petals pale pink. Lower petals yellow, striped rich carmine.15	1.50



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George Paul (Lemoine). "Harvard" crimson with lighter throat. The flowers are large and open, on slender, erect stems.....	\$0.10	\$1.00
Glory (Kunderd). Ruffled, creamy-white, with crimson stripe.....	.08	.75
Glory of Holland (Velthuys). Pure white, with faint rose markings in throat.....	.05	.50
Gold (Dr. Hoeg). Golden yellow, throat a shade deeper. Large flower, many open at one time.....	1.00	10.00
Golden King (Black). Bright golden yellow with crimson blotch in throat. A strong grower.....	.08	.75
Golden Measure (Kelway). Deep golden yellow; tall, strong grower and large flower.....	.30	3.00
Golden West (Dames). Brilliant orange scarlet, the lower petals blazed with golden yellow.....	.08	.75
Gov. Hanley (Kunderd). Rich cardinal red, with deeper throat; early.	.10	1.00
Halley (Velthuys). Delicate salmon-pink, large flowers on long spike; very early.....	.05	.50

	Each	Doz.
Henry Ford (Diener). Dark Rhodamine-purple shading deeper near the center. Much like Anna Eberius.....	\$5.00	\$50.00
Herada (Austin). Large flowers of glistening mauve color; very popular.....	.15	1.50
Illuminator (Henkle). Brilliant carmine-red, with a faint suffusion of blue adding to its richness. Tall, strong grower and large flower....	1.00	10.00
Independence (Woodruff). Rich Begonia-pink with deep red throat.	.05	.50
Jacob Van Berjeren (Heemskerk). Beautiful violet self color on tall, straight stems. Many flowers open at one time.....	2.00	20.00
Le Marechal Foch (Van Duersen). A new Holland variety and a seedling of America. Very delicate pink with large, wide open flowers. Very early.....	.10	1.00
Lily Lehman (Alkemade). Ivory white, lily-shaped flowers.....	.10	1.00
Lily White (Kunderd). An extra fine white, very early.....	.15	1.50
L'Immaculee (Velthuys). Pure white, long spike, many flowers open at one time. One of the best whites; early.....	.10	1.00
Louise (Wright). A new lavender with large, wide open flowers; dark wine penciling on lower petals. Strong grower.....	.25	2.50
Loveliness (Van Konijnenburk). Creamy-white, large flowers; a strong grower.....	.15	1.50
Maine (Vose). A rare and pure white of exquisite form, reminding one of the Lilies when in full bloom.	.30	3.00
Marshal Foch (Kunderd). Salmon-pink, deepening towards the edges of the petals and brighter in the throat. Tall, strong grower and large flowers.....	.30	3.00
Mary Fennel (Kunderd). Deep lilac, shading to paler toward the center. Soft primrose yellow throat.....	.15	1.50

	Each	Doz.
Mary Pickford (Kunderd). Delicate creamy-white. Throat soft sulphur-yellow. Stem and calyx also white.....	\$0.20	\$2.00
Mary Stearns Burke (Diener). Canary-yellow overlaid with apricot, deep canary center. An extra fine yellow.....	.40	4.00
Meteor (Pfitzer). Bright Nasturtium-red, a blotch of carmine on the lower petals.....	.15	1.50
Minnesota (Ruff). Pale primrose with deeper shadings, rich cherry throat. Tall, strong grower; early.	.05	.50
Miss Edith Cavell (Verduin). A fine white of perfect form, faint violet marks in throat. New.....	.20	2.00
Mrs. A. E. Kunderd (Kunderd). White, slightly suffused with pink. Tall, with large flowers.....	.15	1.50
Mrs. Dr. Norton (Kunderd). Shell-pink, shading to soft pink at edge of petal, lower petals blotched sulphur-yellow. Large flowers on a tall, straight spike.....	.20	2.00
Mrs. Frank Pendleton (Kunderd). Beautiful rose-pink, with large, ox-blood blotch in throat.....	.10	1.00
Mrs. Francis King (Coblentz). Flame-pink, a well known and popular variety.....	.05	.50
Mrs. Watt (Crawford). "American Beauty" Rose color, without blotch or marking. A tall, strong grower.	.08	.75
Mrs. W. E. Fryer (Kunderd). Brilliant, fiery-orange scarlet.....	.10	1.00
Muriel (Pfitzer). One of the loveliest of the light blues; a small, dark spot in the throat. Flowers larger than most varieties of its color.....	.25	2.50
Myrtle (Kunderd). Delicate rose-pink shading lighter to a creamy throat; early.....	.10	1.00
Neoga (Kunderd). Rich, dark garnet red with deeper throat. Ruffled..	.15	1.50
Niagara (Banning). Golden buff, often splashed carmine; throat marked the same. Tall, strong grower.....	.08	.75

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Panama (Banning). Bright pink. Large, wide open, wax-like flowers.	\$0.08	\$0.75
Peace (Groff). Large white with a spot of violet in the throat. Tall, strong grower, blooming late.08	.75
Pink Beauty (Van Thol). - Rose-pink, with carmine blotch in throat. Very early. . . . .	.08	.75
Pink Perfection (Hopman). A lovely flower of a true La France pink. Its soft coloring and graceful stems make it one of the choicest varieties. . . . .	.10	1.00
Pride of Goshen (Kunderd). Ruffled; flowers very large and petals elegantly waved. Color of a salmon or flesh pink. Tall and vigorous. . .	.15	1.50
Pride of Lancaster (Kunderd). Ruffled, orange-salmon, deeper orange throat. Strong grower. . . .	.40	4.00
Prince of Wales (Van Zanten). Beautifully shaded apricot, with fine marks of orange on a yellow tinted throat. Large flowers, many open at one time. Very early	.15	1.50
Principine (Kirchhoff). Large carmine red flowers with white blotches; several blossoms open at one time. . . . .	.07	.75
Purple Glory (Kunderd). The giant of the Kunderdi Glory race, and a remarkable color. Deepest velvety maroon-red with almost black blotches like burned into the petals. Beautifully ruffled. . . . .	.50	5.00
Red, White and Gold (Kunderd). Upper portion of bloom pure white, lower petals of a rich yellow with a blotch of richest red on each. . . . .	.40	4.00
Richard Diener (Diener). Rose-salmon, light sprinkling of ruby on creamy yellow center. Tall, strong grower and large flowers. . . . .	.75	7.50
Rose Ash (Diener). Ashes of Roses. Tall, strong grower, large flowers.	.25	2.50
Rose Glory (Kunderd). Rose-pink, deeper in throat. Ruffled.25	2.50



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Scarlet Princeps (Kunderd). Six or more massive "Princeps" like blooms open at one time. Throat a little deeper.....	\$0.15	\$1.50
Schwaben (Pfitzer). Pure yellow, deep red blotch in throat. Strong grower.....	.10	1.00
Summer Beauty (Kunderd). Very choice, deep salmon-pink. Tall and showy.....	.15	1.50
Tyrian Beauty (Kunderd). A near "American Beauty" Rose color. Tall, strong grower.....	.40	4.00
Velvet King (Coblentz). Light cerise red edged with drab, throat marked with crimson.....	.08	.75
War (Groff). Deep blood red, large flowers. Tall, strong grower.....	.08	.75
White Giant (Van Meerbeek). Large, pure white, flowers when open resembles an Easter Lily. Strong grower. Early.....	.25	2.50

	Each	Doz.
White Glory (Kunderd). A pure white of exact size and type as "Kunderd Glory," with beautiful, Iris-blue throat.	\$0.20	\$2.00
Wilbrink (Hopman). Large flowers of a flesh-pink color. Very early. .	.05	.50
Yellow Hammer (Grulleman's). Pure yellow, with small red marks in throat. Tall, strong grower. . . .	.08	.75



Primulinus Hybrids

	Each	Doz.
Alice Tiplady (Kunderd). Beautiful orange-saffron.	\$0.10	\$1.00
Maiden's Blush (Grulleman's). Exquisite shade of blush pink. The flowers are set close on long, slender wiry stem. Strong grower. . . . .	.15	1.50
Roanoke (Kunderd). Primrose-yellow, with carmine lines in throat. .	.10	1.00
Primulinus Mixed. All colors mixed. . . . .	.05	.50



SPECIAL OFFERS

- 24 Bulbs, our selection, unlabeled, but listed in this catalogue, no three alike for. \$1.00
- 24 Bulbs, your selection, all labeled that are priced in this catalogue for not over 15 cents. 2.00
- 100 Bulbs, young and healthy size, 1 in. to 1 $\frac{1}{4}$ in., all sure to give good blooms. Select ten of any of the following varieties: **Amethyst, Baron Jos. Hulot, Chris, Flora, Geo. Paul, Glory of Holland, Herada, Le Marechal Foch, L'Immaculee, Mrs. F. Pendleton, Mrs. F. King, Mrs. Watt, Myrtle, Neoga, Peace, Pink Beauty, Prince of Wales, Schwaben, Velvet King, Wilbrink, Yellow Hammer, Alice Tiplady and Roanoke**, and receive 10 bulbs of each, 100 in all for. 3.00

